(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Sale of lands of NTC mills

255. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had sold the land of five National Textile Corporation (NTC) mills in Mumbai to the highest bidders in the year 2005 and that the highest bidders were the real estate developers and the builders;

(b) if so, the details of the low cost housing made/to be made by these developers and builders on these lands; and

(c) whether there is any proposal by Government to sell the land of the remaining NTC mills in Mumbai by inviting tenders in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) As per the Integrated Development Scheme (IDS) approved by the Government of Maharashtra for 7 mills, NTC has sold the land of five mills in Mumbai during the year 2005 to the highest bidders irrespective of their business background, subject to qualifying the eligibility criteria as per the tender document. It has been decided to surrender the remaining two mills, namely Indu Mill No. 2 & 3 and New Hind Textile Mills to Brihan Mumbai Corporation (BMC) and Maharashtra Housing Area Development Authority (MHADA) respectively as 1/3rd share each for BMC (for Recreation Ground/Open Greens), and 1/3rd share for MHADA (for mill worker housing/public housing) as per requirement of Development Control Regulations applicable in Mumbai.

(b) It is up to the successful bidders to chalk out a detailed development plan and get the same approved from the competent authority.

(c) Yes, Sir.